

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of
Sam D. Sanderson et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1644

Serial No. 09/051,685



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Response to paper No. 9

For: Compositions and Methods for
Enhancing Immune Responses
Mediated by Antigen-
Presenting Cells

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Petition for Extension Under 37 CFR §1.136(a)

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time of ONE (1) month beyond the time period set in the last office communication. The proper fee under 37 CFR §1.17 is enclosed.

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I hereby certify that this Correspondence is being deposited on October 4, 1999 with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope properly addressed to COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS, Washington, DC 20231.

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Response to Restriction Requirement

In response to a Restriction Requirement and Requirement for Election of Species issued August 4, 1999, Applicants elect for prosecution as follows:

Invention Group I, claims 1-17; and

Claims covering the species drawn to the C5a receptor as a target ligand. Claims reading specifically on this species are claims 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17.

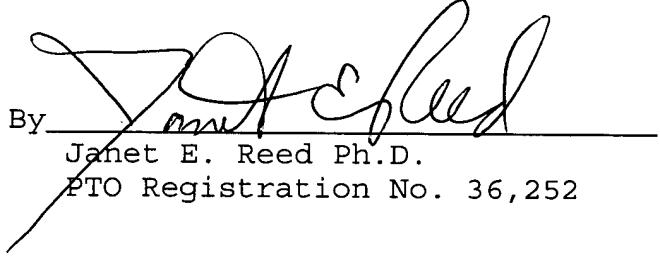
Applicants make the foregoing election of species based on the understanding that allowance of the generic claim of Group I will result in allowance of claims covering the non-elected species, specifically, claims 2, 3, 8 and 9.

Applicants cancel claims 18-24, which are the claims covered by non elected invention Groups II and III. This cancellation is made without prejudice, and Applicants reserve the right to file one or more continuing applications on the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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